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Classified By: Political Counselor Mary E. Daly for reasons 1.5 (b and d)

(C) PolOff delivered reftel demarche on proposed language for the World Summit on the Information Society (WSIS) draft Declaration of Principles and draft Plan of Action to Dutch MFA Human Rights Policy Advisor Jeroen van Drunen on September 12. Drunen said he conferred with his colleagues in the UN office, and the Dutch have "no problem supporting the U.S. position" in the upcoming PrepCom 3 meeting in Geneva September 15-26. He added that the Dutch have "exactly the same issues" with the two drafts, and share U.S. concerns. Drunen is waiting for an answer on the NWICO-affiliated text, but does not foresee any problems.  
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